

**Newsletter of the Surf Pines Association** 

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# **Presidents Comments**



### By Susan Holloway



A beautiful fall has arrived at Surf Pines. Summer brought the fledging of the three Northern Harrier Hawks in front of our house and the wanderings of the elk calves and their mothers. I admit that I never tire of the elk visits. As the grasses turn golden we can start thinking of creating events for the fall and winter in Surf Pines.

There is a brief introduction inside this issue of each of the Board members: Tom Hatch, Vice-President; Dave Butler, Treasurer; Don Kruger, Secretary; and Brian Radditz, Member at Large. Each of the five of us brings experience from our past and current business endeavors that we hope to apply to enrich the Association for your benefit. Association Board meetings are held bi-monthly: meetings for this

annual year are scheduled on November 21, January 16, March 20, May 15, and June 26. Each meeting is held in the meeting house by the south gate at 4:00 p.m. Please plan to attend the meetings, sharing your concerns and solutions.

In addition to attending meetings I hope you will volunteer for a small job within the Association so that collectively we achieve great things. Each committee has plans for the year and room for additional volunteers. So, help the Community Relations Committee with the Art Party, writer evening or holiday party; or help Susie Brown to locate experts within the herbicide field to bring us good lectures; or Roads and Grounds with park restoration or tree and weed clearing; volunteer to host a block party to create community cohesion should we have an emergency; or the Budget and Finance Committee as they set the budget for next year. We welcome your skills and interest. If you do not call us we may call you.

In March of 2014, Jason Palmberg and the Three J's Real Estate Company completed the purchase of the Wideman home at the north end of Easy Way Drive, east of the gate off of Surf Pines Lane. When the Board became aware of the purchase we asked Mr. Palmberg to bring us up to date at the March Board meeting. He informed us that he was proceeding with the Polo Ridge Development of twenty-nine homes. Working with the Zupancic firm, experts in land use, we have been attempting to negotiate with Mr. Palmberg, through his attorney Hal Snow, on the maintenance and traffic issues of Surf Pines Lane. There is nothing to report at this time. We will inform you of further developments. (Continues on page 6)



photo by Art Limbird

### **Quick News**

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### **Real Estate**



Summer's come and gone in Surf Pines. While we've enjoyed exceptional weather this summer, it was less-thaninspirational to real estate buyers in Surf Pines. There was plenty of

activity from buyers but they seem to be holding off until fall to buy. Interest rates remain low and the national real estate forecast is good so we should see a significant increase in sales soon. That makes this a great time to take advantage of some fine Surf Pines home values before the prices go up. Since June there have been three home sales in Surf Pines:

The Low's at 98983 Manion Drive (\$375,000) The Schiele's at 89751 Sea Breeze (\$387,500) The foreclosure at 90009 Manion Drive (\$234,675) There are currently ten homes for sale in Surf Pines, one of those is a new listing: Graham at 33147 Horizon Lane (\$649,500).

Of the ten homes for sale, four are on Manion Drive (some with very good ocean views), two are on or near Ocean Drive and three are on or near the Sunset Lake. There is something for everyone so be sure to tell your friends that this is a great time to look in Surf Pines.

There have been no lot sales since the last report but there is one lot currently under contract on Primrose Lane. The listed price is \$159,000. There are currently eight building sites available for sale in Surf Pines ranging from \$89,000 (a great value) on Ocean Drive to \$410,000 on Ocean Drive. For more detailed information on Surf Pines properties, please contact one of your Surf Pines neighbors in the business. You'll see our signs.

# A Special Thanks to *Breeze* Contributors

Tim Regan, Debra Hall, Karen Radditz, Debbie Eddy

# **Security Corner**

### by John and Carol Gates



Welcome to Autumn at the Oregon Coast. We hope everyone enjoyed our beautiful summer. After a very quiet summer, we have had several security issues here in Surf Pines in the last two weeks. The first came with the start of elk season. Two elk were arrow shot and wounded on private property and then

tracked into our community. Surf Pines does not allow hunting or tracking, as stated at our gates. These hunters, with their weapons, have been seen walking our roads and on private property. This poses a threat to the residents and their families, pets, and the wildlife here in Surf Pines. After bow season comes rifle season, so be alert. If you see a hunter within our gates, please give me a call regardless of the time of day. The second problem is we have had several tire slashing and things missing from unlocked cars in the past two weeks. These incidents occurred on both Manion Drive and Ocean Drive. If you should see anything or anyone unusual please give me a call day or night. I have added extra night runs to my schedule but could sure use your help with this. There have also been reports of several house break-ins in the area, though not here in Surf Pines. Please lock your cars at night and remove valuables. Lock your doors and windows when you are away and watch out for your neighbors. We all need to be vigilant.

As always this time of year we would like to remind you to disconnect your outside hoses and cover your faucets. I'm sure that is the last thing on your mind when you come to the beach and it is 75 degrees, but sometimes the weather or plans change rather quickly. So if you aren't a full time resident or if you are heading to warmer weather for the winter months this is a good time to winterize your home.

Enjoy the beautiful fall weather.

### We Welcome Our New Residents

Dan & Melody Torrey 89983 Manion Dr Lon Hill 90009 Manion Dr Anthony & Sarah Kenne 89565 Manion Dr Richard & Claire Puetz 89751 Sea Breeze Dr Donald & Kimberly Clark 89838 Ocean Dr Larry & Erika Popkin 33308 Neacoxie Ln Peter & Katherine Cole 89688 Sea Breeze Dr Andre Nye 89234 Manion Dr

### **Surf Pines Artists Showcased**



The Surf Pines Community Relations Committee will sponsor the Art Show on Saturday, October 4, from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Four Surf Pines residents are graciously hosting the

artists: Susan Holloway, 90054 Ocean; Rodney Martinez, 89547 Ocean; Bonnie Groshong, 89012 Ocean; Margaret Terrall, 89148 Manion Drive. All Artists are Surf Pines residents and several have a worldwide following. Please come and enjoy a glass of wine with hors d'oeuvres as you take in the various art pieces that are for viewing and/or purchase. Some of the artists participating: Brian Cameron, Peter Cole, Rodney Martinez, Mary Miller, Thron Riggs, Carol Riley, Margaret Terrall, Geri Fouts, Maryann Gantenbein.

# **Board and Committee Meetings**

Committee meeting times are determined by the committee members to accommodate their schedules. Board meetings currently are every other month and are generally on the third Friday of the meeting month. The meeting times for the Community Relations Committee are determined by the members of that committee. The Roads and Grounds Committee meets on the second Tuesday of each month. All Association members are invited to all meetings whether a member of that committee or not and are welcome to participate. Meetings are held at the Meeting House next to the south gate. Meeting times are kept up to date by Katie Weber on the bulletin boards near each exit gate and by Jeff Hall on the Events Calendar on the website. Also feel free to call committee chairs for meeting times. Contact information can be found on the back page of the Breeze.

## **Report Hunting in Surf Pines**

During hunting season, remember that hunting of any kind is prohibited in Surf Pines including tracking a wounded animal shot off premises. Any hunting should be reported to John Gates (503–298–7911), the security manager, who reports the hunting, in turn, to the Oregon State Police, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Surf Pines Board. Do not confront a hunter. Do not endanger yourself. Obtain as complete a description as possible of the hunter and the occurrence of hunting, including the time and place.



# Three Surf Pines Homes to be Included in Assistance League Home Tour

The tour is Saturday, October 11, from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The Allegaert's at 89332 Manion Drive, Radditz's at 33250 Silverspot Lane, and Murray's at 89556 Shady Pine Road are all on the tour. You can purchase tickets from Sally Allegaert (503–440–2772), Karen Radditz (503–449–4645), or Mary Davies (503–738–2672). There will be 350–400 people coming through the homes. It is suggested that people car pool and most do.

## **Holiday Party**

### by Kathy Arndt

Surf Pines Community Relations Committee would like to send an early invitation to the Holiday Party. It will be hosted by Richard and Claire Puetz, 89751 Sea Breeze Drive. Hor d'oeuvres is the menu this year instead of a sit down dinner. Some hor d'oeuvres will be provided by Surf Pines CRC along with non alcoholic beverages. Neighbors are encouraged to bring their favorite appetizer and adult beverage of your choice. Richard and Claire moved from Phoenix, originally from the Portland area and are enthusiastically making preparations so mark your calendars – Saturday, December 13, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. for fabulous Holiday Cheer!

# **Current Board Members**

<u>Dave Butler:</u> A native Oregonian, Dave retired from the successful Sleighbells Christmas Tree Farm and Gift Shop in Newberg in 1999. He and his wife Annette – better known as Yama – moved to the Oregon coast and then to Surf Pines and have been full-time residents since 2002. He now works part-time managing the Cannon Beach American Legion and selling wine locally for Wineworks of Oregon. In addition to tree farming, Dave spent twenty-four years in sales management, working for Adidas Outdoors and Media Home Entertainment. He is currently on the Board of Directors for Tolovana Arts Colony and President of the Gearhart Golf Men's Club. Dave values the unique life style Surf Pines offers its' residents and joined the Board in order to work toward preserving Surf Pines for future generations.

**Don Kruger:** Don and Nancy have lived in Surf Pines since 1989. In Nov 2000, he retired from the Oregon Air National Guard after thirty-five years of service. Don enjoys boating, camping, clamming, crabbing, hunting, fishing and other outdoor activities but also spends time in his shop working on a variety of projects including "Mr. Fixit" repairs for family and friends. Over the past ten years he has restored a 25' boat that Don and Nancy take to the San Juan Islands every summer. Other projects include remodeling and improving various areas of the house and yard. Don has been a hard working volunteer for years and became involved with the Roads and Grounds Committee in 2001 and eventually served a couple of terms on the Surf Pines Board of Directors. He looks forward to working with the other members of the Board to help keep Surf Pines a great place to live.

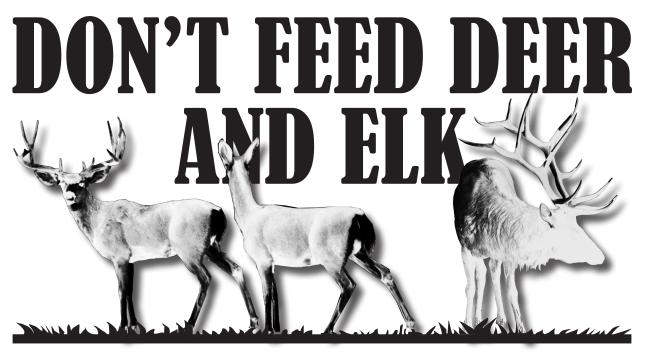
**Susan Holloway:** Susan has been part of the Surf Pines community for nearly twelve years, having chosen the location and the community over any other on the north coast. Committed to the quality of Surf Pines, she looks forward to bringing value to the Board and the community. Susan and her husband Charlie spend as much time at Surf Pines as our business and travel life allows. Her business life over thirty years is a combination of business and education with work for non-profit and for-profit organizations. She has years of managing people, projects and issues, with success in building corporate structure, systems and processes. Budgets under her direction ranged from \$100,000 to \$3.3 million with numerous direct reports and small and large department staffs.

A few of her favorite business experiences include being Head Master (a private school term for Principal) of a small non-profit school; Vice president of Education (camps, classes and laboratories) and Museum Services (Human Resources and the Volunteer Program) at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI); and Multnomah County CASA (court appointed special advocates), establishing this non-profit with the then-current juvenile court judge and served as Board President and chaired numerous committees. Susan graduated from the University of Oregon and taught in Oregon public schools for seven years. Married to Charlie Rule she has three grown children – a doctor, a lawyer and a business trainer – and three grandchildren.

Tom Hatch, Jr: Tom's years of education at California State Polytechnic University (Cal Poly) earned him a degree in Industrial Technology, with an emphasis on plant and facilities management. He added advanced training during his first jobs and spent 13 years working for Reliance Electric Co. and Taurus Controls. In 1988 he became Sole Proprietor of C-TECH as an Industrial Control Systems technical consultant. Early in his career he was a Special Forces Ranger advising and training for the US Army. Tom has balanced his professional life with service for the children of Clackamas County: the Committee for Children and Families, which administered state grants to organizations providing services to the county; and, the Clackamas County Childrens' Commission. Tom's special interest has been in services for children 0–6. He has served on both Boards and as Chair of the Clackamas County Childrens' Commission. Tom not only brings his business skills to the Association Board, but also his interest in maintaining the quality of Surf Pines.

**Brian Radditz:** Brian is a retired executive with thirty-five years of business experience. Brian and his wife Karen, a realtor, moved to Surf Pines as their permanent residence in 2007, having built their home in 2001. Brian served on the Surf Pines Association Board from 2011 until 2013 and was President for two of those three years. Brian loves living in Surf Pines and brings his skills to help the Surf Pines Association continue to excel as a member-run homeowners association.





Well-intentioned people often feed deer, elk and other wildlife without realizing the problems feeding can create:

- Artificial feeding concentrates wildlife, which leads to the easier spread of disease and parasites and easier take by predators.
- Feeding deer and elk attracts their natural predators like cougars and coyotes to areas of human activity.
- Once wildlife associate people with giving them food, they come to expect it. Feeding will invite more deer and elk to your property and encourage them to stay.
- Artificial feeding can cause deer and elk to become habituated to humans and aggressive towards them.
- Concentrating deer and elk in human-settled areas can lead to an increase in vehicle collisions and conflicts between wildlife and pets.
- Concentrating deer and elk can hurt habitat by encouraging excessive grazing.

Every year, ODFW also sees seemingly healthy deer and elk die because they have been fed the wrong food by well-intentioned people. Their diet requirements actually change with the seasons and are best met by native forage. Deliberately feeding deer or elk may inhibit digestion and lead to death by starvation or infection.

ODFW does feed deer and elk at several wildlife areas during the winter, to keep them off adjacent agricultural lands where they damage crops. These feeding programs are long-term commitments that require significant financial and staffing resources. Feeding starts early in the season so deer and elk's digestive systems do not have to quickly readjust to new food types, and continues every day, no matter what, until forage conditions improve. Feeding areas are located away from human-populated areas to decrease conflicts. ODFW also conducts disease testing at some feeding sites.

For more information, visit ODFW's web page at **www.dfw.state.or.us** or call your local ODFW field office or ODFW Headquarters at **800-720-ODFW (6339)**OREGON

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### **Presidents Report** (continued from page 1)

On May 2nd and June 27th an important issue was brought to the Board of Directors by Surf Pines ... residents who were concerned about the use of herbicides on public land. They had just become aware of the two year old plan and training related to using herbicides. As a result of the health and environmental concerns the committee raised, the original two-month herbicide moratorium on use in public spaces within Surf Pines, that began May 2, was extended to the date of the August 2015 Annual Meeting. We have put in place an Action Plan. During this coming year the Surf Pines Association Herbicide Action Plan will include research and information presented to you from experts in the field. We hope you will read and hear all the information from both sides of the debate. John Gates and the Roads and Grounds volunteers will implement a variety of test solutions. Experts from the local community and scientists from our local universities will provide advice and information for us. Susie Brown, a Sea Breeze resident who is a Master Gardener in two states, will seek out the scientific experts, and be assisted by anyone in the community who wants to be involved. She has already engaged Chip Bu bel, OSU Weed Management expert and he will come for an evening of lecture and discussion early in the fall to further inform us. Surf Pines is an Association for the members. We hope that you will participate in the research and discussion in the coming year as well as help us solve the physical aspects of the issue by working with John and the Roads and Ground Committee on Monday mornings beginning in the fall.

The Emergency Preparedness Project will continue to host training and encouraging the hosting of small neighborhood gatherings in order to pool the resources and skills of the neighborhoods and all residents within Surf Pines. The Clatsop County emergency responders are working together to plan how to best deliver services to all residents should an emergency occur – a fire, a wind storm or an earthquake/tsunami. I hope to see each of you attending a presentation this year.

The Board is looking forward to an active and productive year. Thank you for letting us represent you.

### **Roads and Grounds**

### by Don Kruger



The Roads and Grounds activity has been relatively quiet since in the past several months. The paving project on south Ocean Drive is in progress and will be

completed in mid-October. John continues to provide the community with flawlessly operating gates, controlling situations as they occur, and advising residents when necessary. Discussions concerning the restoration of the park, controlling invasive weeds, roadside signs, and tree trimming have been the focus of our committee meetings. No actions have been taken because each subject is being researched to provide enough information to make prudent decisions. We are looking forward to a productive fall and winter season.



### Thanks to Norma Keever

Contributors: Katie Weber, Bonnie Rogie, Debra Hall





Bonnie refers to her as "The First Lady of Surf Pines," Norma Keever has earned this moniker affectionately from her

volunteer associates. Norma has given much during years of volunteer service to the Surf Pines community in many capacities. She has served on the SPA Board of Directors twice, volunteered her time and labor to landscaping, weeding,



community events, painting the Meeting House and Security House,

and as the chairperson of the Community Relations Committee, which she formed. For those who

have worked with and know Norma, her drive in organizing community

events has been to bring neighbors together and form relationships, with the belief that Surf Pines is more than a rural neighborhood.

During event hosting, like wine tastings, holiday parties, or picnics in the park, she was a warm and gracious hostess. She always took an interest in everyone and made sure everyone was introduced to



each other. The "Little Park" at the end of Ocean Drive was brush and weeds to begin with and Norma took it upon herself to make a grassy spot with landscaping for anyone to stop by and enjoy. Her closest volunteer cohorts confirm, she is the epitome of the word volunteer.







# **Slow Down for Safety**





# **Children and School Buses**

School buses are once again picking up and dropping off children in Surf Pines. Please keep in mind as you navigate your cars and trucks on our narrow roads that there are sleepy children waiting on the dark edges. There will be the occasional ones running late for the bus in the morning and excited ones running for home in the afternoons. The speed limit in Surf Pines is 25 MPH and supports safety for all who share the roads.

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